

STILL HOPE TO GET THE BURDICK SLAYER

Police of Buffalo Deny that They Have Reached the End of Their Endeavors—Are Not Working Blindly and Expect to Capture the Murderer.

Four Witnesses Unite in Fixing the Crime on a Woman Who Was Seen in the Vicinity of the Burdick Home on the Night of the Tragedy—Evidently a Stranger.

Over the long-distance telephone Superintendent of Police Bull, of Buffalo, made the following statement to The Evening World to-day concerning the Burdick mystery:

"I wish The Evening World would say for me that the police of Buffalo are not 'up against it' in this case. It is not true that we are working blindly or that we have lost hope. I have strong hopes that we will apprehend the murderer within a short time.

"As I have told The Evening World before I have never in my police experience run across a murder that was so well covered up. Whoever killed Burdick laid plans for concealment that are most unusual. This has made the case a hard one to work on, but it must not be inferred that because we have made no arrests as yet we have exhausted every clue.

"When I say we have made no arrests I have particular reference to Miss Hutchinson. In numerous interviews she has said that she was locked in a cell. She is laboring under an hallucination. She was not locked up, was not under arrest in a formal way and was treated with all the deference due to a woman."

FOUR MEN SAW THIS MYSTERIOUS WOMAN.

BUFFALO, March 9.—That the murderer of Edwin L. Burdick is the mysterious person known only as the "lost woman" is the firm conviction of the Buffalo police. She was seen by four men, whose descriptions tally in a way that makes it certain that each saw the same woman, yet the efforts of the entire Police Department of Buffalo have failed to locate her.

The story of Gabriel Reed, a private watchman in the pay of wealthy residents of Summer street, which crosses Ashland avenue south of the Burdick home, completes and gives conviction to the story of Policeman Meyer and convinces the authorities that the "lost woman" was in the Burdick home at the time of the murder.

The doctors who examined Burdick's body on the morning following the murder gave it as their opinion that he had been killed between 12 and 1 o'clock.

WOMAN THERE AT TIME OF MURDER.

The cabman, Joey, declares he drove a woman of medium height, weighing about 150 pounds, to the corner of Ashland avenue and Summer street shortly after midnight. Gabriel Reed, the watchman, walking over Summer street toward Ashland avenue at 12:30 o'clock, saw a woman of the same description standing at the corner. When he approached she walked north in the direction of the Burdick home.

About 1:15 o'clock Policeman Meyer, standing at Bryant street and Ashland avenue, one block north of where Reed had seen the woman, noticed a woman walking rapidly toward him. She seemed greatly agitated, and when she saw him she crossed the street to escape his scrutiny.

In the half hour that elapsed between the time she was seen by the two watchmen the woman was in the immediate vicinity of the Burdick home, and this half hour coincides with the period fixed by the medical experts as the time of the murder.

MANNER WAS EXCITED AND NERVOUS.

It would have taken her five minutes at the utmost to have walked from Summer street to Bryant street. She did not loiter or wander up and down the block, for Watchman Reed turned back and looked to see if she were hunting for any house. She had disappeared. His first view of her was his last.

At 1:30 o'clock she was seen again at Main and Ferry streets by a well-known business man whom she asked to direct her to Franklin and Tupper streets. This man says her manner was "excited and nervous."

He, too, noticed that she was blonde, of medium height and about 150 pounds. His description of her clothing is withheld by the police. He placed her aboard a car and half an hour later, at 2 o'clock, Joey, the cabman, saw her in lower Main street, and was surprised to recognize the woman whom two hours previous he had deposited at Ashland and Summer avenues, in proximity to the Burdick home.

The police are positive the four men saw the same woman, but in spite of the fact that their combined description is reasonably complete, they have been unable to locate any one who will answer the description of the suspect.

WATCHMAN SAYS SHE WAS A STRANGER.

Reed's story has made a great impression on the police. He has been employed by the residents of Summer street for several years and is considered truthful and reliable. He claims to know every resident in the vicinity, even the servants.

"When I saw this woman standing at the corner of Ashland avenue," he said, "I noticed her particularly because she was a stranger to me. I studied her for a while, trying to place her, and then I decided to go up and speak to her, but for fear of frightening her I scraped with my foot and then tapped lightly with my night-stick. The moment she heard the noise she started nervously and walked up the east side of the street in the direction of the Burdick home. I passed on for a little and then turned back to Ashland avenue so that if she had stopped or turned back to Summer street I would meet her and learn whether she was lost or hunting for any one's home. She was not in sight."

BUSINESS MAN TELLS FACTS TO POLICE.

The business man who put the "lost woman" aboard a car at Main and Ferry streets was called to Police Headquarters yesterday and again questioned closely about the clothes the woman wore. The line of questioning indicated to him that the police had a suspect in mind or a jacket in their possession. The merchant will not disclose the description he gave the police of the woman's attire, but he claims it is accurate and that he could identify it, as he has been in the dry goods business and observed not only the style, but the texture of the woman's garments.

Attorney Costworth practically withdrew from the case to-day, directing the hunt for the murderer is concerned. This is taken to mean that the street entirely on lines mapped out by Mr. Costworth.

PLAN READY TO STOP GAS ABUSES

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electricity, for you will find many irregularities in the charging for those commodities."

Should there be no charter infringements Mr. Fornes said he would draft the measure and propose it this week.

OFFERS SUBSTANTIAL AID TO STOP ROBBERY.

The extent to which public indignation had been aroused by the exactions of the Gas Trust is best illustrated by this letter which The Evening World received to-day:

To the Editor of The Evening World:

Inclosed find my check for \$25 to be used as a retainer providing the Merchants' Association and followers fall in line to punish the heads of the Consolidated Gas Company.

There is no question in my mind that the public have been systematically robbed by the Gas Trust. I am a member of a firm which has an outrageously large gas bill. The meter had been inspected by the company and previously by a plumber. Both said that it was out of order, but I had no redress. The company told me I would have to pay or have my gas shut off.

Early in December while at the Heater street office of the Consolidated Gas Company to make a personal application for gas it made my heart bleed to see the struggling mob of poor men and women seeking rebates for overcharges. Many of the women had babies in their arms. To these people a dollar means a great deal, and when they go to the offices of the company they are treated like dogs.

I hope that all who are interested in seeing the gas robbery stopped will donate to a fund to help the cause along. An example should be made which will prevent in the future any corporation with a franchise from the city from taking unfair advantage of the poor.

The check enclosed by Mr. Reiss has been returned because the curbing of the Trust is in sight without the use of money.

"ADJUSTMENT" MEANT ANOTHER BILL.

Similar to the exasperating experience of Mr. Reiss is that of Marcus Braun, editor of the Austro-Hungarian Gazette, who tells a story about the tyranny of the trust that will appeal to all who have felt its oppressions:

"I am one of the numerous victims who have been held up in regular 'highway robbery' fashion by the Consolidated Gas Company," said Mr. Braun. "I desire to state on my own behalf, as well as on behalf of numerous residents of the east side, that whatever action The Evening World may take will have our most hearty co-operation, both morally and financially if necessary."

"For the last three years I have used the gas from the Consolidated Gas Company at my residence, No. 58 East Seventh street, and I have always found the bills to be excessively high, amounting to \$8 and once or twice to \$9 per month. I have but a small family and my gas range is used only about two hours a day. The gas stove is used very rarely, because we burn coal.

STAND AND DELIVER ORDER.

"The bill I paid in December amounted to a little over \$8 and the next bill I received was for \$17.90. I wrote to the company and one of their employees came to my house, looked at the meter and said there was something wrong. He told me it would be adjusted. Consequently I did not pay that bill, but waited for an adjustment. The adjustment came in the form of another bill for \$16 for the month ending Feb. 4. I sent a letter to the gas company making a complaint. In reply to this communication I received a notice threatening to shut off the gas if settlement of these two bills was not made.

"So I had to pay the \$33.90. I repeat that I am ready to do anything in order to break the power of this dangerous trust, and I think the best way to proceed would be to get the Attorney-General of this State to have the charter of this company revoked."

PUBLIC FEELS THE GRIP OF THE BIG TRUST.

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Hope The Evening World will get justice for the public, as the gas trust is robbing the people.

S. R.

His Gas Bill a High Jumper.

To the Editor of The Evening World:

My gas bill for November, 1902, was \$3.90; for December, \$6.30, and for January, 1903, \$11.00. I reside in a steam-heated flat and use no more than two gas jets at night.

I did not make a complaint, for the reason I received a gas bill at one time for \$5.00. I complained to the company. They investigated, but with what result? I had to pay anyway.

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Electric Light Extortion, Too.

To the Editor of The Evening World:

While investigating the Gas and Electric Light Trust, why not agitate the method by which the Edison Company arrive at their charges? The electricity is metered to their customers, but not satisfied with being paid for what electricity is used at a uniform rate, they charge in proportion to the number of lights a customer has installed, although the customer has to pay all expenses of installation and may only burn a portion of the lights except on special occasions.

They use the silly argument that they have to be prepared to furnish the electricity whether the customer uses all the lights he has installed or not. The gas company might use the same method, but I imagine they are not permitted to practice such extortion, and can see no reason why the Electric Light Company should be allowed to.

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GREENE AFTER SUNDAY SHOWS.

Orders Inspectors to Investigate All Theatres and Music and Concert Halls that Disregard the Law.

MUST HAVE TWO WITNESSES.

Police Commissioner Greene is determined that the provision of the Greater New York charter relating to theatrical productions and music hall entertainments on Sunday shall be observed to the letter and to-day he sent out a red letter to his inspectors, calling their attention to the law and citing various decisions of the Court of Appeals and Appellate Division. Gen. Greene's letter began:

"Please take careful note of Section 1481 of the Greater New York charter, which describes the nature of entertainments which are prohibited on Sunday. It includes 'any other entertainment of the stage.' This was passed upon in the Court of Appeals in the case of the Eden Musee Company in this language: 'Taking the statute in all its terms it is evidently meant to include all classes of public exhibition such as are usually conducted upon the stage for the observation and amusement of the public and are not a reason for narrowing its obvious scope and purpose.'"

The Commissioner after citing various other decisions orders the inspectors to see that their men make careful investigations of all music and concert halls that are open on the Sabbath. He requests them to see that each officer is furnished with two witnesses to corroborate any testimony he needs to offer to the Court. He also asks that they take careful note of all the details of each performance.

Magistrate Flannery had before him to-day three managers of Jewish theatres, arrested yesterday for violation of the Sunday Concert law. The theatres are the People's, the Windsor and the Suffolk street concert hall. The Magistrate instructed the clerks not to take any complaint until he had heard the evidence.

Policeman Silverstein said that he had visited the People's Theatre, and while there saw a play in which a mother-in-law was killed by her son-in-law. "That was the only murder in the show," said Silverstein.

"That was not a murder; that was a joke," interposed the Magistrate. "Why, in the old days an audience on the Bowery would demand its money back if there was less than six murders in a play."

Similar testimony was given in the other cases, and Magistrate Flannery reserved decision. In the Yorkville Court seven managers of uptown concert halls were arraigned to-day. In one case evidence was offered to show that a man had been detected in the act of singing a song entitled "Who Threw the Overalls in Mrs. Murphy's Chowder." The policeman said that he did not think the song one of the sacred character required under the statute.

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HAVE YOU SEEN THIS HAPLESS OLD WOMAN?

Maimed, Half and Blind, She Has Wandered Away, and the Police Seek Her.

The Brooklyn police have sent out a general alarm for Bridget Butler, of No. 189 Navy street. This is how the police notice reads:

Bridget Butler, seventy-five years old. Both legs broken. Blind in the right eye. Has no teeth. In absent-minded and stutters. Wore black dress and shawl.

LAWTON TO BE PRESIDENT.

New Transportation Company Organized in Hoboken To-day.

The Coastwise Transportation Company was organized to-day at the offices of Arthur Seitz, No. 106 Hudson street, Hoboken. The company has a capital stock of \$300,000, half common and half 6 per cent. cumulative preferred. It is organized to operate the boats owned by Capt. J. G. Crowley, of Boston.

It is understood that Thomas W. Lawton, of Boston, is to be President of the company and J. G. Crowley, Treasurer and General Manager. The company will have pins of the largest schooners in the world, the fleet consisting of five and seven-masted.

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